

Collaborating for Positive Environmental Public Health Outcomes

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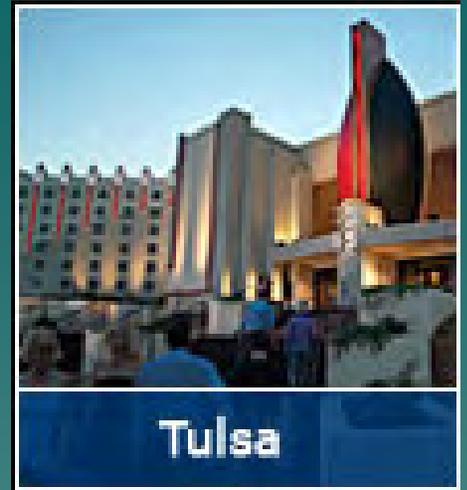
Identifying the Public Health Problem(s)

- Tribal gaming establishments throughout Oklahoma are being constructed at an impressive rate.
- By December 2006, they numbered 97 and represent approximately 5% of the nations gaming facilities
- Certain services within these facilities are not subject to regulatory controls of state or local governments
- Retail food services, water and waste water systems, public bathing facilities, lodging and other services are typically regulated by public health or environmental public health
- Tribal sovereignty prevents state public health officials from regulation, inspection and oversight activities
- positive public health outcomes in tribal entities is the goal

Identifying the Public Health Problem(s)

- Tribal gaming facilities across Oklahoma are expanding in numbers at an impressive rate
- Such facilities are not subject to the same public health regulatory processes as are non-tribal entities
- It is/was the goal of our EPHLI group to attempt to address this issue through a collaborative approach

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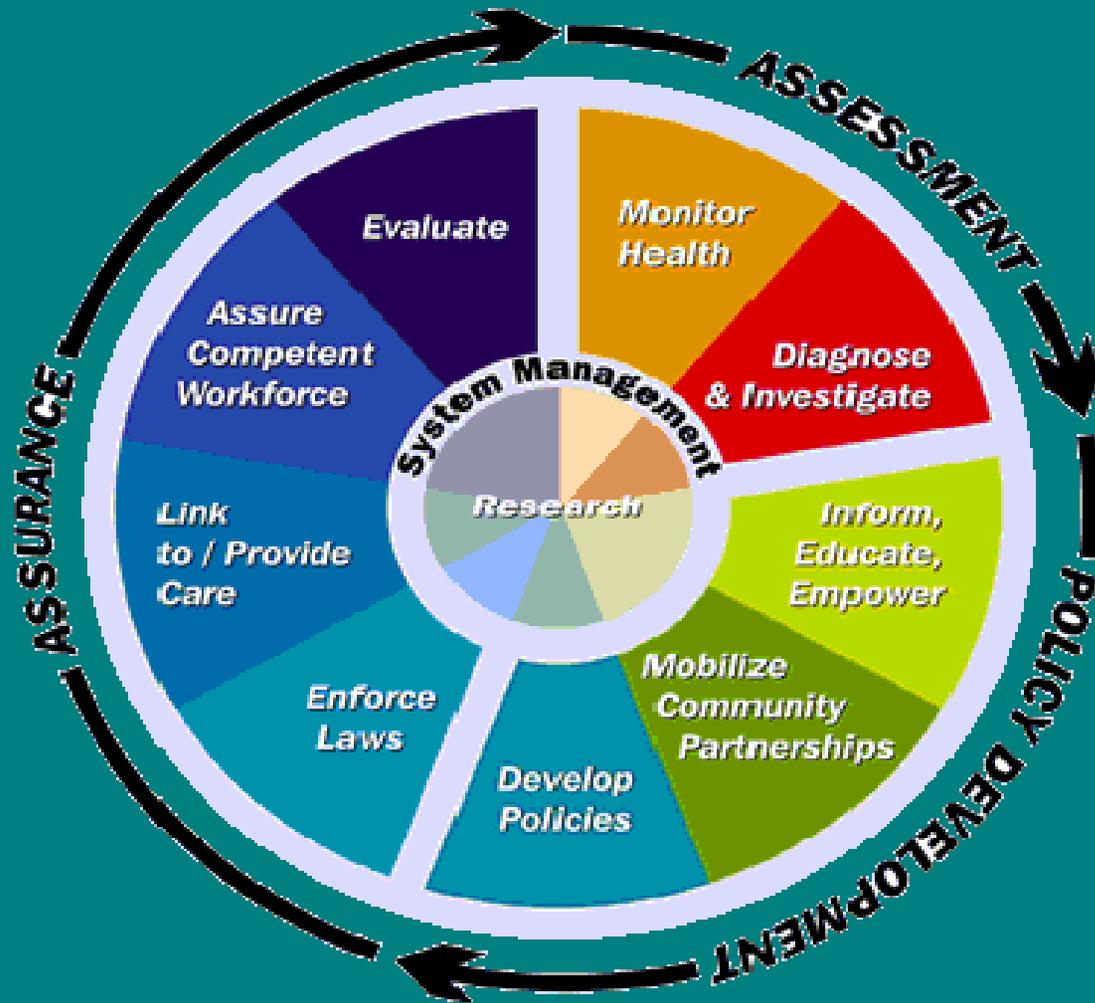
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Public Health's 10 Essential Services

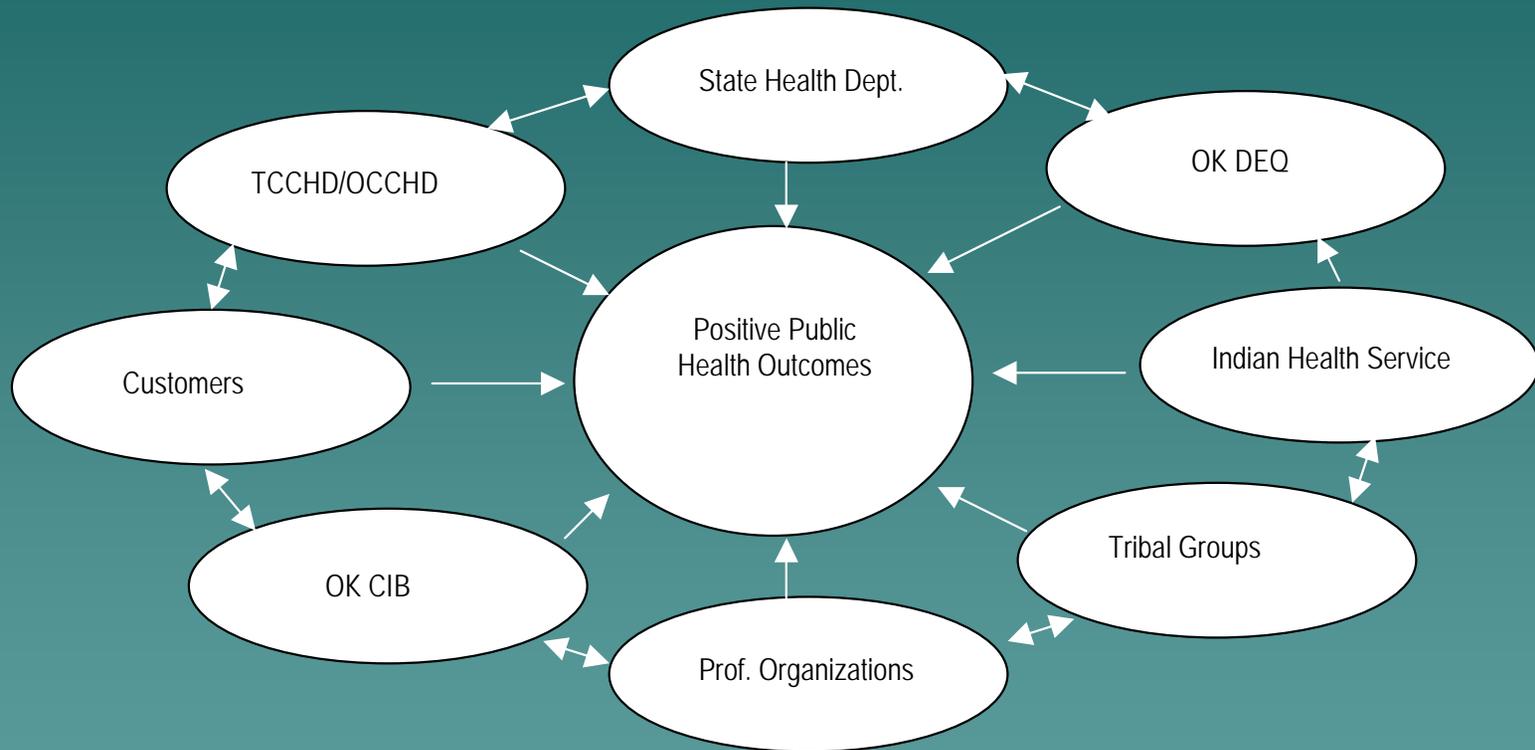


Response to the Public Health Problem(s)

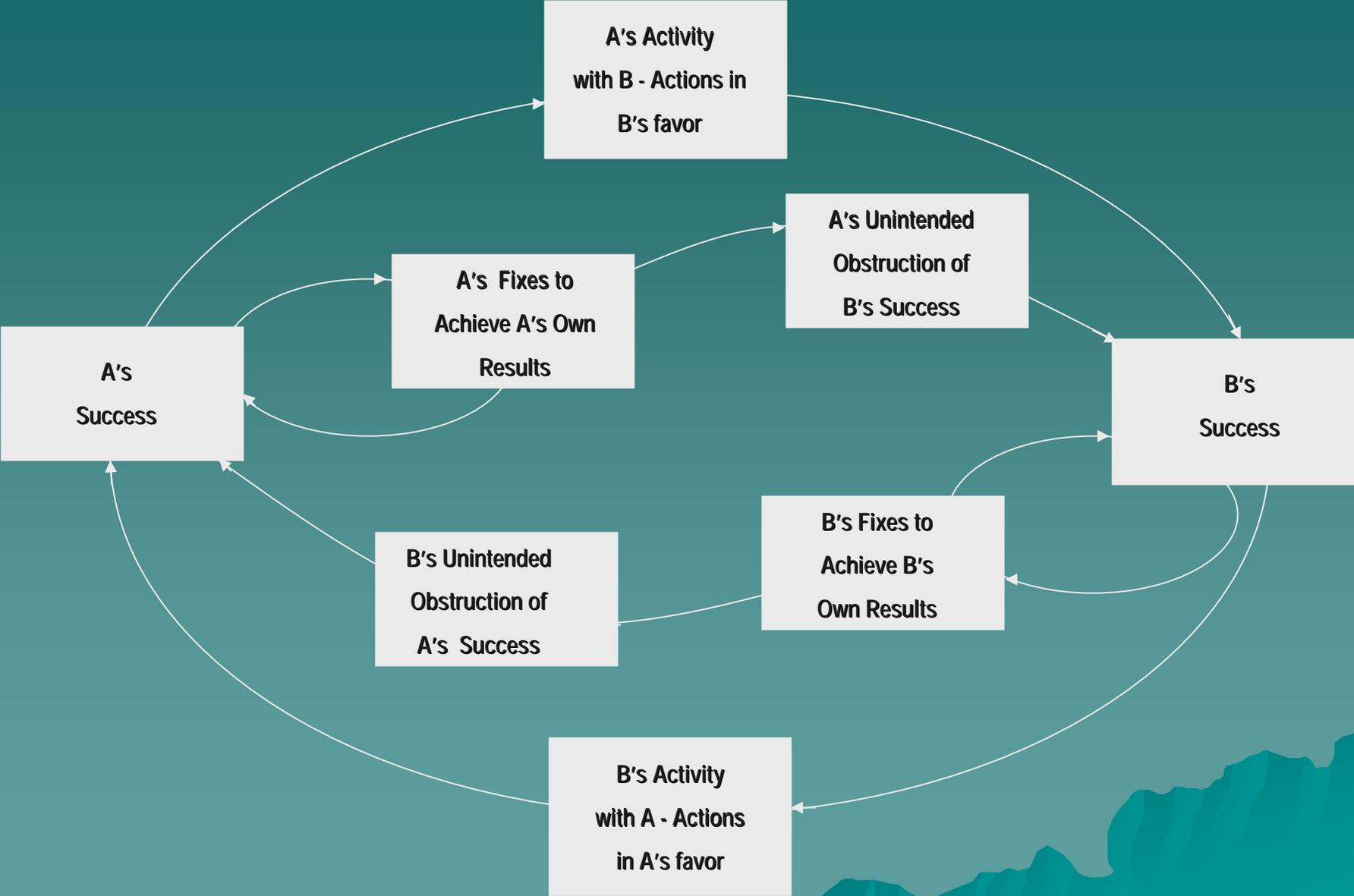
Addressing the workforce issues through :

- Educating public health professional and environmental public health professional in the core functions and essential services
- Assuring that “Systems Thinking” resides at the core of the curriculum
- Developing leaders capable of mobilizing community and other resources to address shortcomings in the delivery of public health’s essential services

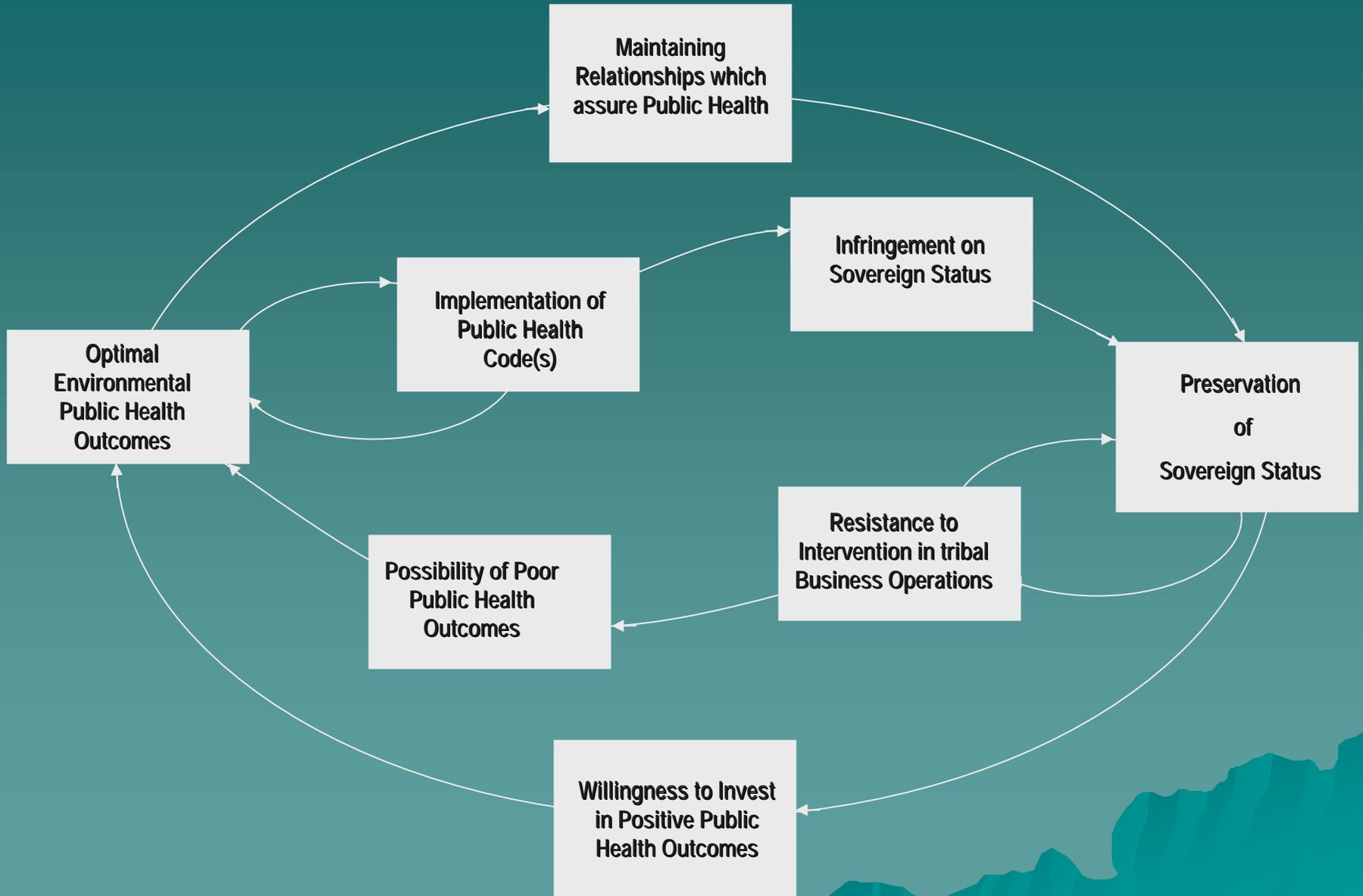
The Collaborative Model



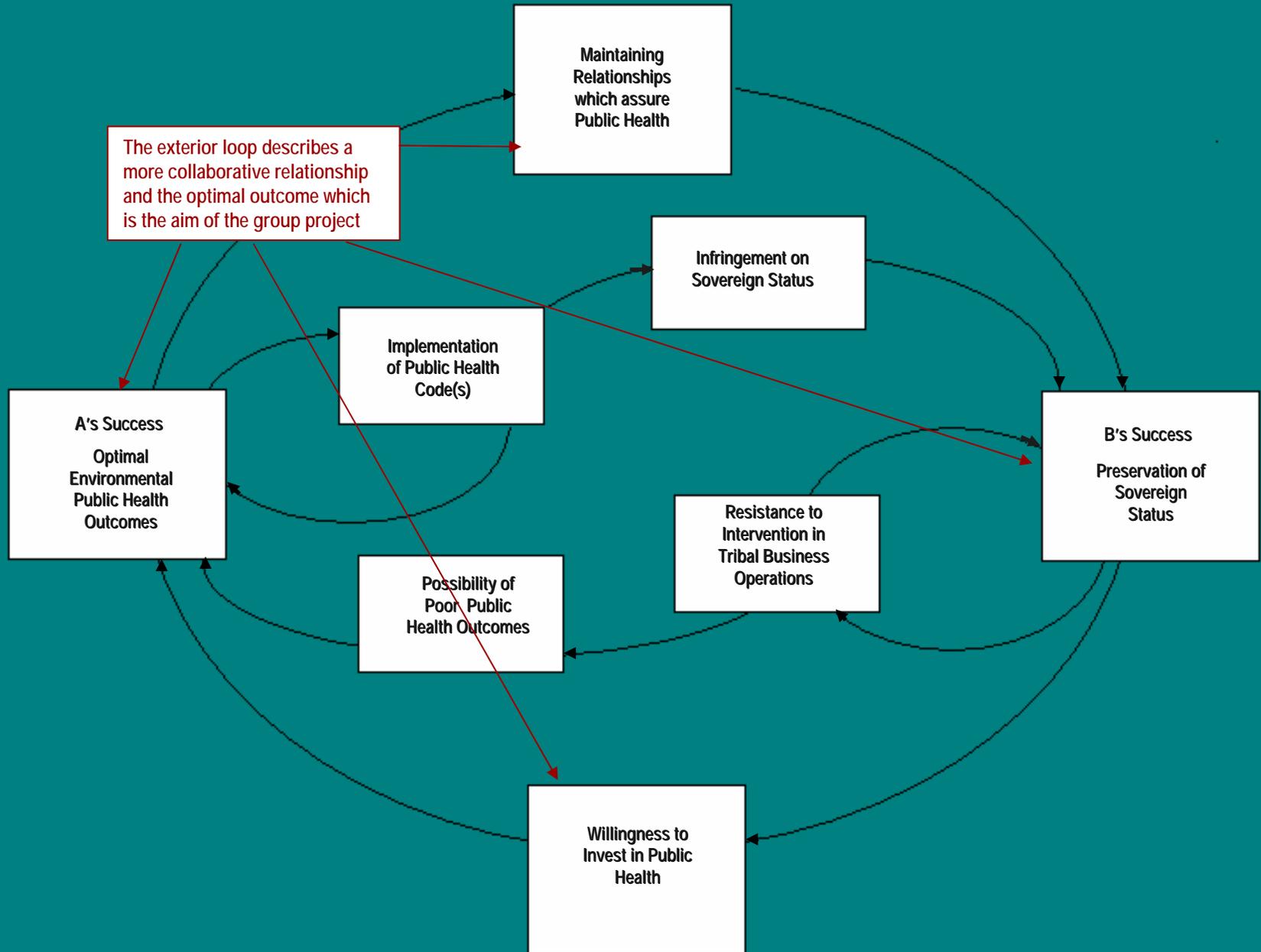
Accidental Adversaries Archetype Template



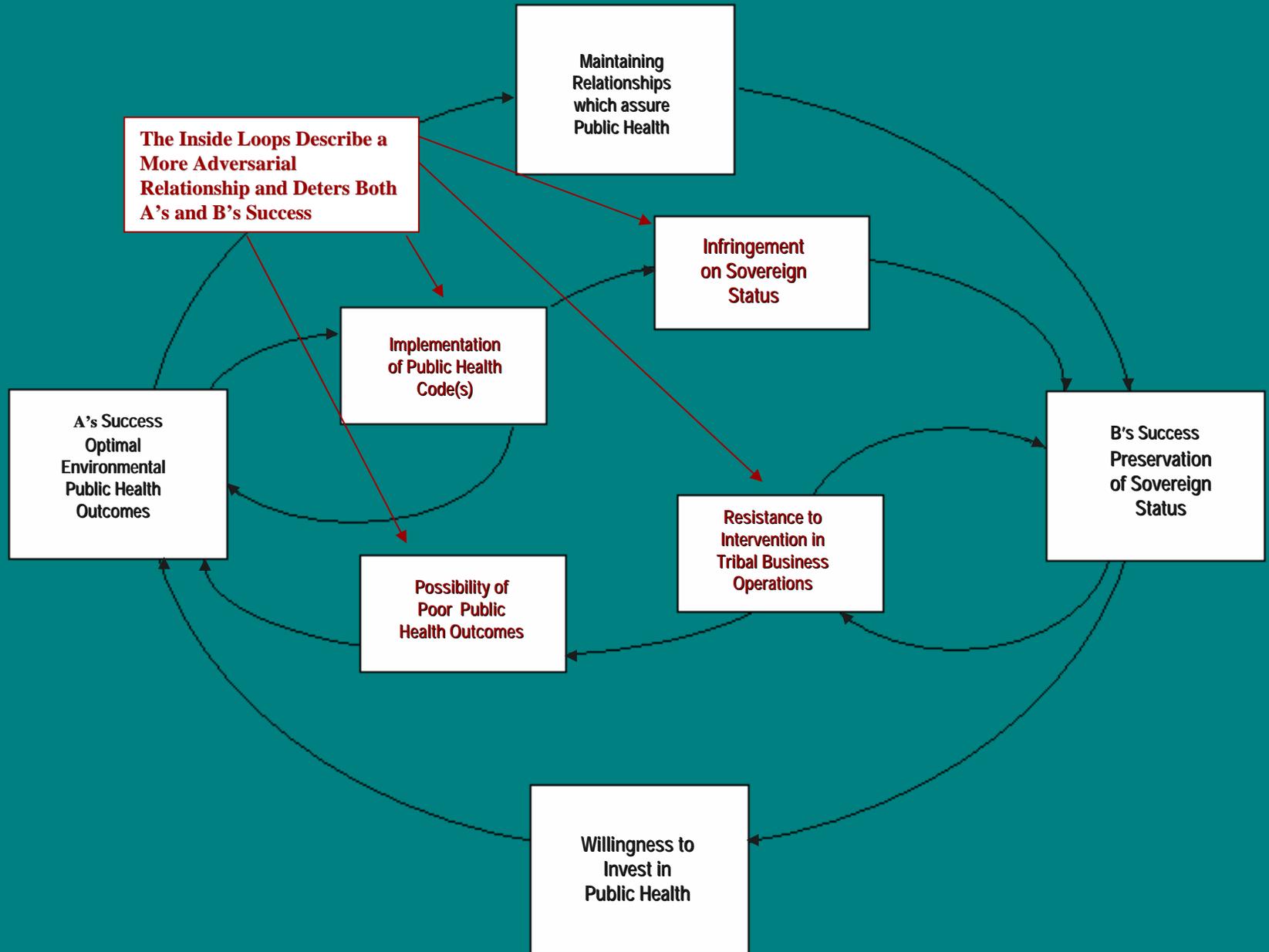
Accidental Adversaries Archetype -Completed



Accidental Adversaries – Completed in relation to the problem



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EPHLI ABSTRACT

➤ Problem Explored

The expansion of tribal nations into the gaming industry presents concerns regarding consumer safety in several environmental areas in Oklahoma.

➤ Methodology Used

It was determined that points of contact with appropriate jurisdiction officials needed to be established in order to more effectively evaluate and discuss collaborative efforts to identify all key stakeholders, seek adoption and training on uniform public health codes.

➤ Results & Solutions

Contacts were developed and networking opportunities were planned. During a recent state environmental public health meeting, 13% of the attendees were from tribal jurisdictions, compared to 3% from the previous year.

➤ Conclusions

Through diligent networking, active listening, and the desire by all to better serve the public, the first steps in building partnerships which improve communications has been accomplished.





Conclusions

Next steps:

- ◆ Develop Flow Chart w/calling tree
 - ◆ Continue Collaborative Networking Opportunities
 - ◆ Proposed Legislation to develop Tribal Liaison for Government agencies
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Questions and Comments

